

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 presently appear in this case. The amendments are made to eliminate all multiple dependencies so as to reduce the filing fee and place the claims in better form for U.S. practice.

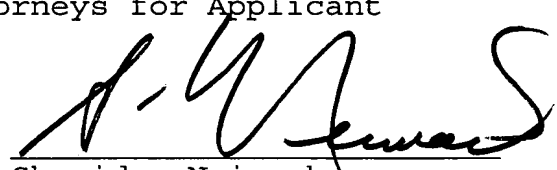
Please enter this amendment prior to calculation of the filing fee. The above amendments do not include "narrowing" amendments. No limitations are added and none are intended.

Applicants respectfully await the result of an examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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